



PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)  
(Small Entity)

Docket No.  
12770US01

In Re Application Of: Doyle et al.

Serial No.  
09/273,673

Filing Date  
March 22, 1999

Examiner  
Frantzy Poinvil

Group Art Unit  
2164

Invention: COMPUTER APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR TRADING AND CLEARING FUTURES CONTRACTS  
TO ACCOMMODATE A VARIABLE SENSITIVITY RELATED TO THE GENERAL LEVEL OF INTEREST RATES

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of March 18, 2002 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☐ Two months    ☒ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: June 18, 2002 until: September 18, 2002  
*Date* *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is \$460 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-0017  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 13-0017 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Christopher N. George  
*Signature*

Dated: September 18, 2002

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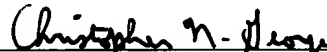
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